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SEALING STRUCTURE FOR A FUEL CELL, AS WELL AS A METHOD FOR

PRODUCING IT, AND A FUEL CELL WITH THE SEALING STRUCTURE

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed 18 December 2006, Applicants respectfully elect the claims of Group II, drawn to a method of making a sealing structure. Claims 24-34 are included in the elected invention. This election is made without traverse. A Listing of Claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

I hereby certify that this correspondence (along with any paper referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on

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